

## THE CITY FATHERS MEET

## A FIGHT ABOUT THE CITY HALL.

The Article Published in The Times on the "Water We Drink" Acted Upon by the Councilmen—Other Happenings.

The Common Council held its regular monthly meeting in the Council chamber last evening and the following members answered to the roll-call: Messrs. Boykin, Brauer, Carnel, Carter, Curtis, Davis, Epps, Garber, Glover, Griffin, Grimes, Guion, Jackson, King, Mann, Murphy, Noble, Seay, Smith, Stratton, Thomas, Trower, Royal White and W. L. White.

**PERMISSION GRANTED.**  
On the recommendation of the Committee on Streets a resolution was adopted giving Mr. J. H. Hill permission to erect cedar posts, through which gas pipes are to be run, along the area in front of the tobacco factory at Twenty-first and Franklin streets.

Another resolution, coming from the same committee was adopted, establishing a grade in that part of Lee district which has been incorporated in the city limits by the Legislature at the last session.

A number of resolutions granting awning permits, etc., were adopted on the recommendation of the committee.

On the recommendation of the Committee on Streets the Common Council adopted a resolution establishing grades in various parts of the city as suggested by the City Engineer.

The Committee on Streets submitted a report which recommended the appropriation of the following amounts: \$3,150 for the construction of a sewer on Jackson street from Second to First, and thence in First street from Jackson street to the alley between Broad and Marshall streets, thence in alley from First to Adams street, \$3,975 for the construction of a sewer in Bowe street, \$15,000 for the paving of alleys for owners; \$615 for the grading, curbing and paving granite gutters on the south side of Main street between Beech and Morris streets; \$2,203.20 for similar work on both sides of Linden street, \$1,725.20 for similar work on the south side of Ashland between Reservoir and Randolph streets, \$515 for similar work on the east side of Randolph between Ashland and Claiborne streets; \$315 for the grading, curbing and paving with granite spalls the intersection of Ashland and Randolph streets and the grading and paving of the sidewalks; \$1,365 for the grading, curbing and paving of granite gutter on the west side of Randolph street between Tobacco and Blair streets; \$200 for the construction of a culvert for surface drainage on the south side of the line of Tobacco street; \$2,000 for the construction of street basins at eleven different points in Clay ward. The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

**AGAINST THE CITY.**  
On the recommendation of the Finance Committee a resolution was adopted providing the money for the payment of the interest on the \$1,725.20 obtained by Mary L. Stephenson, administratrix of William H. Stephenson, against the city in the circuit court.

The Committee on Water asked in its report for the granting of the following appropriations: \$1,000 for the department of the city, \$350 for the department of the city, \$400 for the department of the city. The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Noble, the sub-chairman of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings, submitted the quarterly report of the department of the city, \$1,000 for the department of the city, \$350 for the department of the city, \$400 for the department of the city. The report was referred to the Finance Committee.

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the amendment voted in the affirmative, this time voting in the negative.

Mr. Guion submitted a number of resolutions, one of which was adopted, instructing the City Engineer to furnish the committee with the detailed information as to the mistakes made in the construction of the City Hall. Mr. Guion explained in detail the steps taken by the committee, and stated why the desired information was needed.

**SUBSTITUTES OFFERED.**  
Mr. Glover, Mr. Stratton in the chair, offered the following substitute:  
Resolved, That the Council of the city of Richmond, the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Supervisors, be and are hereby, instructed to afford to the Committee on Retrenchment and Reform every possible aid in the examination of their respective departments, and to furnish such information in the prosecution of their work as the committee may deem just and proper.

Mr. Carter spoke against the expenditure of any money in carrying out of the investigation and a lengthy debate followed in which Messrs. Guion, W. L. White, Carter, Stratton, Murphy and Mann participated.

**FINALLY ADOPTED.**  
The substitute offered by Mr. Glover, which had been accepted by Mr. Guion, was finally adopted by the following vote: Ayes—Messrs. Guion, Griffin, Grimes, Guion, Jackson, King, Murphy, Smith, Stratton, Thomas, Trower, Royal White, W. L. White. Total, 19.  
Noes—Messrs. Carter, Epps, Garber, John Mann, E. M. Noble, Seay. Total, 6.

**INDORSED THE TIMES.**  
The Board of Public Utilities through its chairman, Mr. R. L. E. Glover, presented the following article appeared in THE RICHMOND TIMES of date July 31, 1892, headed "The Water We Drink," and said subject treats of matters of great importance to the residents of this city. It is resolved, That the Board of Public Utilities respectfully refer this communication to the "Common Council of the city of Richmond" that it may receive that prompt attention and consideration to which it is entitled.

The matter was referred to the Committee on Water.

Mr. Guion submitted an ordinance fixing the salary of the president of the board at \$1,800 per year and the compensation of the other members of the board at \$100 per year, beginning with July 1, 1892. The ordinance was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Glover presented a resolution requesting the superintendent of the city waterworks to submit at the next meeting of the Council plans, specifications and an estimate of the cost to change the pumps at the New pump-house so as to take the water for the new reservoir direct from the river instead of from the canal. The resolution was adopted.

**RESOLUTIONS OFFERED.**  
Benj. Jackson offered a resolution providing for the erection of electric lights at the corner of Eighth and Preston, Seventh and Bates and Third and Preston streets. The matter was referred to the Committee on Light.

The same also presented a resolution directing the city engineer to take the necessary steps for the opening of Duval from Sixth to Seventh streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Mr. Grimes offered a resolution requesting the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company to station a watchman at the railroad crossing at Washington street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Mr. Grooms offered a resolution providing for the transfer of \$7,000 from the account of the Committee on Shocks Creek to the Committee on Grounds and Buildings with the view of having it expended for the beautifying of Jefferson Park. It was referred to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Epps offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a special committee, consisting of three members from the Common Council and two from the Board of Aldermen, to confer with the management of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company to take proper steps to abate the nuisance created by the smoke emanating from the engines at the Church Hill tunnel.

**THERE WILL BE FRESH WATER.**  
Mr. Epps offered a resolution directing the Committee on Water to pump water in the lake at the New reservoir. A long discussion followed, and on motion of Mr. Mann the rules were suspended, and on motion of Mr. Guion the sum of \$300 was appropriated from the contingency fund to pay for the coal to be used for the pumps for that purpose.

Mr. Boykin presented a resolution on behalf of the Committee on Third Market asking for an appropriation of \$100 to cover the necessary expenses to be needed repairs.

Mr. Boykin explained the necessity of the expenditure and asked for suspension of the rules. He stated that the subject had been thoroughly investigated by the committee and the City Engineer.

Mr. Glover offered a resolution asking for a special committee of three members of the Common Council and two of the Board of Aldermen to revise the rules of the City Council and have them printed.

The Council adjourned at 12:15 o'clock.

**A LOWER TEMPERATURE.**  
The Rain of Last Evening Had a Very Enjoyable Effect on Us.

Sunday was another scorcher, and people felt it much more, I fancy, because most of them had nothing to do except to sit around in vain efforts to keep cool. The churches showed falling in attendance, and the electric cars, whose blessings this weather, were packed all day, especially towards the evening and up to the time the storm came along, about 10 o'clock, when some rain fell, having but little more effect than laying the dust on the sun-baked pavement.

By 11 o'clock the atmosphere was cooled off and many people, for the first time since this hot spell has been upon us, slept comfortably and soundly all the night through.

**BOYS BEGAN TO FALL.**  
Yesterday morning broke and continued to grow hot, until about noon the mercury was climbing up into the 80's and 90's again. But the rain was in the air, or somewhere everybody felt so, and sure enough between 5 and 6 o'clock the clouds which had been chasing each other around in an aimless sort of way, settled down to business, gathered together and commenced to quarrel with each other in deep growls of thunder that made the poor, parched people hereabouts glad, for they knew then that the blessed rain was in the air, and so it proved.

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**JAMMED AND SQUEEZED.**  
Many people visited the Reservoir Park, Forest Hill Park, all the hillsides, the cemeteries and squares Sunday, hoping for a little relief from the heat. The weather was very little, for the air was still and the sun seemed to get fresh heat and pour upon their heads, and many of them came back home, picked up their fans and stuck it out on the front porches. I went out to Forest Hill Park with many others, packed, jammed, squeezed and forced on route in the electric cars, till at last, I felt like a sardine liberated from his box. Forest Hill Park is a beautiful place naturally, and could be made very attractive by the provision of a refreshment stand in the way of refreshments to cheer the thirsty and hungry souls that go there.

It could be infinitely better for the health of the visitors if the restaurants were allowed to sell iced and light wines instead of the dreadful concoctions now served out under the name of soda water, limeade, milk-shakes, etc. Then, too, the signs that comfort one on his walks and drives, you are ordered to "keep off the grass," directed not to "dance on the porch," "adjusted not to "pull dogwood blossoms," inquired not to "break off wild flowers," and so on to the beautiful fleecy and snow-white masses, piled up in the heavens till one thought of the Matterhorn and Mount Blanc, the sign "Keep off the clouds," and ahead of me on the ground the sign, "Get off the earth."

The sandwiches were fearfully and wonderfully made, and, after biting and sucking and sucking and sucking, I flung it in the lake, and the fish were trying their hands, or their mouths rather, on it—the last seen of it.

The people present went about their ways with a fair amount of suppression and a little delirium through which a stream was running, and was leaving her little toes in the same, looking ahead of her with a remember-the-Sabbath-day-to-keep-it-holy expression on her face that was very amusing.

**DEATH FROM HEAT.**  
The only death reported was that of Mr. Rarksdale J. Hughes, Jr., who fell from the back of his horse Sunday at his home in Eadsburg street. He had been ill lately, but had called in no doctor. The coroner was notified, but did not think an inquest needful.

**PERSONAL AND GENERAL.**  
Interesting Facts About Richmond's Citizens and Other Matters.  
Doctor Moses D. Hoge, Jr., returned to the city on Sunday night from Norfolk.

Rev. Dr. Paul Whitehead returned to the city yesterday after an absence of a month.

Mr. Ralph E. Brush, of New York, is in the city on a short visit to his numerous friends here.

Mr. Lewis H. Blair and family have gone to East City. Mr. Blair will return in about a week.

Messrs. Edward Stumpf and Edward Lee left the city yesterday for Philadelphia and Atlantic City.

Misses Jennie and Maggie Ryan left last Saturday for Coney Island, Hartford and Meriden, Conn.

The Richmond Brewing Company have substituted a fine team of mules for the horses lost by the heat.

Superintendent of Public Schools William E. Fox and wife are on a visit to relatives of the latter near Philadelphia.

Mr. Y. Valden, Jr., of King William County, is in the city for a few days before leaving on an extended trip North.

Deputy Sergeant McCabe will leave the city in a day or two on a trip through the South, extending as far as the Lone Star State.

General Joseph R. Anderson has returned from the White Sulphur. He is still in feeble health and contemplates a trip to the White Mountains.

Mr. W. G. Williams, of Florio avenue, has returned from a pleasant sojourn in Kansas City, Mo., and will in September enter the law class of the University of Virginia.

Captain O. A. Browne, of Cape Charles, yesterday sent to the Southern Planter office a tomato measuring sixteen inches in circumference and weighing twenty-four ounces.

Mrs. Robert S. Gray, one of Fourqurean, Price & Co.'s most popular clerks, left yesterday to take a vacation, which he will spend near Rapidan station, in Orange county.

The alarm of fire turned in from box No. 18 at 9:15 Sunday night, occasioned by a slight burning of the dwelling of A. Francisco, corner Broad and Smith streets. Damage trifling.

Mrs. J. P. Pettus of No. 518 south Pine street, Mrs. J. R. Merriman of south Laurel street, Mrs. Mary Priddy and Miss Lucy Haynes left yesterday for Caroline county, where they will spend the month of August.

The work on the new Henric county jail is at a standstill and has been for some time, owing to the absence of the contractor, who has been away for a fortnight. The county's prisoners are in the meantime in the city jail of Richmond.

Among the many people trying to keep cool in Forest Hill Park on Sunday was a party of people, some twenty-five in number, all from the same neighborhood, Eton, Mich., and all living here, or near the city. The little reunion was much enjoyed.

The Right Rev. Bishop Van de Vyver is still in Europe, at last accounts at his native place, Hoosdon, Belgium. He is expected to return home about September 1st, when he will be warmly welcomed, for he is universally respected and beloved by Catholics and Protestants alike.

**JOHN F. MEENLEY DEAD.**  
He Was in the Service of the Commonwealth Fifty Years.

There died at 320 south Fourth street Sunday a remarkable man in the person of John F. Meenley, who for fifty-four years was in the service of the State at the penitentiary, and remained in its service until his death, although not on active duty, having been retired years ago by a special act of the Legislature. He was eighty-two years old and his death the result of the dissolution of old age. His last illness was of short duration and he never took to his bed.

Mr. Meenley was born in King and Queen county and came to Richmond in 1838. He was a man of sterling character, fearless and firm in the discharge of his duty, and won the regard of every prisoner in his keeping.

His duty was well known and his private life spotless and pure. He took pride in the fact that his father was a Revolutionary soldier, he having been killed in the war of independence at Guilford Courthouse, N. C.

The deceased was twice married and children were born unto him, but survived all but his second wife. He was a member of Friendship Lodge, L. O. O. F., and of St. John's Lodge, A. F. and A. M. He was one of the oldest members of these lodges, and held the highest offices with honor and affectionate regard by the members of the lodge.

The funeral will take place from Grace-street Baptist church this morning at 10 o'clock.

**THEY WENT TO THE SEA.**  
Walker Light Guard Had an Enjoyable Trip to Ocean View.

The Walker Light Guard, under the command of the sweet singer, Captain Frank W. Cunningham, returned yesterday morning after a refreshing sojourn at Ocean View, where they had been since Saturday evening enjoying the many seaside attractions to be found there.

All were pleased with their outing, and speak of the probability of repeating it shortly, for they were received and entertained in good style. Going over to Norfolk, the boat which had been chasing each other around in an aimless sort of way, settled down to business, gathered together and commenced to quarrel with each other in deep growls of thunder that made the poor, parched people hereabouts glad, for they knew then that the blessed rain was in the air, and so it proved.

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**AMBULANCE CALLS.**  
The ambulance responded to the following calls yesterday:

12:15 P. M. to Twenty-fourth and Dock streets to a colored man who was sick. He was taken home.

5:25 P. M. to Twenty-fourth and Venable to two white boys who each had a finger cut off. They were treated and left.

8 P. M. to First police-station to a white man who had been struck on the head. He was treated and left.

8:40 P. M. to Hancock and Broad streets to a white man who had his leg smashed. He was treated and taken to the Retreat.

**Will Sail for Europe.**  
Mr. Lewis Ginter and his adopted son, Mr. Anthony Tiernan, left the city last evening for the Northern trip for New York.

At the Union depot a large number of his employees were present to bid him bon voyage, and the hearty evolutions, the Rev. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, was present in the pulpit with the pastor, who is his brother. In the evening at the hotel an impromptu service of song was rendered by the musical members of the company.

**A Committee Met.**  
The Committee on Third Market held a meeting in the Council Chamber last evening with Mr. Boykin in the chair. A good deal of business was transacted and a resolution was adopted asking the Council to appropriate the sum of \$500 to cover the current expenses of the market.

**Among the Sick.**  
Professor Edmund Harrison, so well known in connection with Richmond College, was worse yesterday, though his friends are hoping for a favorable turn in his illness.

Mrs. Charles S. Stringfellow is critically ill with no improvement in her condition.

## MR. ASBURY CRADDOCK.

## A WELL-KNOWN PILOT DROWNED.

His Body Discovered Floating in the Elizabeth River—He Had Been Appointed Watchman and Fell Overboard.

NORFOLK, Va., August 1.—[Special.]—The body of Mr. Asbury Craddock, a well-known pilot of this city, was found in the river at the Roanoke dock to-day. He was employed to watch watermelons Saturday night and it is thought that he fell overboard. The deceased was sixty years of age.

A telegram was received this afternoon announcing the death of Mrs. Jerrigan, mother of Mrs. J. W. Perry, of this city, at her home in Hertford county, N. C. Mrs. Jerrigan was seventy-nine years of age.

Daniel Ryan, of Portsmouth, arrested Saturday, a large crowd of people, who had the mails on the Atlantic and Danville railroad, was discharged by the United States commissioner, there being no evidence against him whatever.

Mayor Baird, of Portsmouth, was the guest of the Atlantic Club at Ocean View, Va., a large crowd of people, who had the mails on the Atlantic and Danville railroad, was discharged by the United States commissioner, there being no evidence against him whatever.

Miss Lucrece K. Baird, daughter of Hon. J. Thompson Baird, mayor of Portsmouth, will be married in Chicago to-night to Mr. Percy Chiles, a young Englishman and an attaché of the Northern Pacific Express Company. Miss Baird went to Chicago about one month ago on a visit to the family of Dr. Edwin F. Rush, United States navy, from whose residence the marriage will take place. The young couple met about four years ago, when Miss Baird was visiting her sister, Miss Wythe M. Farley, in Chicago.

Never in the history of Norfolk was there a more revolting case heard in its courts than one which came before Justice East this morning in the private office of Mayor Cooke in the city hall, Harry McKay, of this city, an electrician, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by a citizen of Norfolk, charging him with criminal assault upon the former's fourteen-year-old daughter in March last, at which time McKay was boarding at the house of the complainant. The child is not large for her age and is delicate in physique, while the accused is about thirty years of age, of a large stature. The accused did not go on the stand, his attorney claiming that the prosecution had not made out a case in which force was used. Justice East decided to send the case on to the corporation court and refused to admit the prisoner to bail.

During the morning the corporation court heard a writ of habeas corpus issued and the prisoner was carried before Judge Brooke on an application for bail. Commonwealth's Attorney Wilcox, who up to that time had not been in the case, appearing for the State. After hearing the case fully Judge Brooke denied the application for bail and remanded the prisoner to jail.

**THE GREAT FORD SUIT.**  
It Is Only a Sequel to the One Pending in this City.

The cross suits between Mr. A. J. Ford, the proprietor of Ford's Hotel; Mrs. Mary Lucy Ford, his wife; and B. W. Ford, his son, in Kentucky, mentioned in Sunday's TIMES, is only a sequel to the suit brought in the chancery court of this city in December, 1890, by Mrs. Ford and her children to displace Mr. Ford as trustee, an account of which was published in this paper. The bill filed in the chancery court charges that all of the property controlled by Ford was bought with trust funds arising chiefly from the successful conduct of Ford's Hotel, which, as the Powhatan House, was purchased by Ford in November, 1887, and sold the next March to William F. Frazier, who conveyed it to Mrs. Ford. In this and all subsequent deeds Mr. Ford was made his wife's trustee.

**A BOND REQUIRED.**  
On the 7th day of last April Judge Lamb, after argument by counsel, decided to require a trustee's bond of Mr. Ford in the sum of \$15,000 for the faithful performance of his duties in the collection, disbursement, and accounting for all funds, allowed fifteen days in which to give such bond, and required the trustee to make quarterly reports. Mr. Ford did not give this bond, but took an appeal, and just there the case now stands.

**THE ESTATE APPRAISED.**  
In a large batch of papers in the possession of Mr. Jackson Guy, commissioner of the court, is the following appraisal made by Mr. Ford of the value of the property controlled by him as trustee:

Richmond, Ford's Hotel, furniture, etc., \$150,000; Virginia House, \$10,750; St. Clair Hotel, \$25,000; Ford's Law-building, \$40,000; Broad street between Seventh and Eighth streets, \$65,000; Lumpkin's Bottom, Broad and Wall streets, \$15,000; tobacco factory, stable and laundry, Twelfth street, \$25,000; Frazier's property "Castle Rock," stock, farm, furniture, improvements and stock, \$150,000; Small farm near Castleton, \$5,700.

Hampton and adjoining Soldiers' Home and Normal School, \$25,000.  
York county property, adjoining Yorktown, 737 acres, \$17,000.  
York county property, adjoining Gloucester Point, \$15,000.

North Carolina property, \$10,000. Total, \$581,450. Paid-up life insurance policy in the New York Mutual Company, \$7,500. Grand total, \$588,950.

**MR. FURSTENAU'S FUNERAL.**  
Took Place Yesterday Afternoon and the Interment Was at Hollywood.

The funeral of the late F. Furstenau, who died suddenly Saturday afternoon in his room in the Rueger building, an account of which was published exclusively in THE TIMES, took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of Mr. William Rolling, No. 104½ east Clay street. Rev. Ed. Engel, of the German Evangelical Lutheran church, conducted the impressive services, which were attended by a large number of friends who deplored sincerely Mr. Furstenau's untimely death. The metallic casket was surrounded by beautiful floral designs in the shape of a tributes to the deceased, and the casket, with its pall and compass, sent by Amity Lodge, No. 76, A. F. and A. M. The deceased was a Freemason and belonged to Olive Branch Lodge in Bremen.

Cable messages received from Mr. Furstenau's widow in Bremen, Germany, on Sunday directed that the remains be interred in Richmond. A metallic casket was used, however, so that at any future time the remains can be removed to Germany.

The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Charles Rauch, Frank Williams, Carl Ruehrmund, T. Moeker, L. Burdford, William Kuegel, Heinrich Schmidt, Schiller, L. Albrecht and E. Karl Victor.

Mr. Keyling represented the deceased in this county.

**Case Postponed.**  
Jack Andrews was arraigned before Judge Witt yesterday on the charge of assaulting Police Justice Crutchfield. He was represented by Mr. R. R. Canady, who to Commonwealth's Attorney Spotswood was present to look after the interests of the prosecution.

Mr. Fauntleroy stated that some of the witnesses for the defense were absent and he therefore asked that the case be laid over until September 26th. The request was granted, and Mr. Andrews gave bond for his appearance on that day.

**A Chicago Pitcher.**  
A Chicago baseball reporter has just finished a life of Captain Coniskey,